

ther, by striking out the word "end," in line 27, same page.

Amend by striking out the word "said," in line 11, page 2, and insert the word "this" in lieu thereof.

Amend the caption by inserting between the words "Redfish bay" and the word "on," in line 15, page 1, the following: "and to excavate a free channel along and through Turtle Cove, between Corpus Christi bay and the deep water harbor or channel at or near Aransas Pass."

Your free conference committee further recommend that the original bill be amended as follows:

Amend by inserting after the word "channel," in line 28, section 1, the following: "and extending to the shore of Redfish bay at and near the present town site of Aransas Pass; and provided further, that any channel so constructed in Redfish bay shall be throughout at least 60 feet wide at the bottom and 5 feet deep; and provided further, that said company shall not be permitted to purchase any flats or shoal waters in Redfish bay lying within one-half mile of any private holdings fronting on said Redfish bay on the side next to the present town site of Aransas Pass."

Respectfully submitted,  
DIBRELL, Chairman,  
KERR,  
ATLEE,  
LINN of Victoria,  
Committee on part of Senate.  
TURNER,  
BELL,  
HARRIS,  
Committee on part of House.

On motion of Senator Atlee, the above report was  
Adopted.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

House bill No. 180, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 5043 of the Revised Statutes of 1895, so as to exempt Maverick county from the provisions of title CII, chapter 6, relating to the inspection of hides and animals."

Bill read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—20.

Atlee.	Greer.
Beall.	Harrison.
Burns.	Kerr.
Colquitt.	Neal.
Darwin.	Presler.
Dibrell.	Ross.
Goss.	Stone.
Gough.	Terrell.

Tillett.	Woods.
Wayland.	Yett.

Nays—2.

Linn of Victoria.	Morriss.
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Absent.

Bailey.	Rogers.
Boren.	Stafford.
Lewis.	Yantis.
Linn of Wharton.	

Excused.

Bowser.	Turney.
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On motion of Senator Terrell, the Senate adjourned to 10 a. m. to-morrow by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Burns.	Morriss.
Colquitt.	Neal.
Darwin.	Ross.
Gough.	Terrell.
Harrison.	Wayland.
Kerr.	Woods.
Linn of Victoria.	Yett.

Nays—7.

Atlee.	Greer.
Beall.	Stone.
Dibrell.	Tillett.
Goss.	

Absent.

Bailey.	Presler.
Boren.	Rogers.
Lewis.	Stafford.
Linn of Wharton.	Yantis.

Excused.

Bowser.	Turney.
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# FIFTY-SEVENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Tex., Friday, Mar. 26.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Lieutenant Governor Jester in the chair.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Beall.	Neal.
Burns.	Rogers.
Colquitt.	Ross.
Darwin.	Stafford.
Dibrell.	Stone.
Goss.	Terrell.
Greer.	Tillett.
Harrison.	Turney.
Kerr.	Wayland.
Lewis.	Woods.
Linn of Victoria.	Yantis.
Linn of Wharton.	Yett.
Morriss.	

**Absent.**

Atlee. Gough.  
Bailey. Presler.  
Boren.

**Excused.**

Bowser.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. F. S. Jackson.

Almighty God: We rejoice that we are permitted to walk the unfamiliar way of prayer. We see ourselves before Thee again as we were when we were children. We come to Thee with different cares, with different burdens, and in different moods. Thou art sometimes afar off, and the way is long; sometimes Thou art near at hand and the way seems very short. We drag ourselves at times; we are impelled irresistibly at others. But if, when we are so ignorant and see through a glass darkly, as but in the twilight, and only see the things nearest us, and not the perspective; if in this most imperfect office and privilege there is so much of life and joy and beauty, what shall it be when we stand in Thy courts, and are no more hungering and thirsting after righteousness, but are filled; are no more hoping, but are in the midst of fruition, when all longing shall cease, and all regrets and painful memories shall be known no more, and all rude things and discord shall have passed away and we shall see Thee as Thou art, in the midst of the joy, the rapture and the glory of the heavenly estate. To that blessed and delightful experience we aspire; and with trembling faith pray Thee to bring us where the busy scenes, hurrying activities and quickly passing moments are all gone and we will ascribe all praise to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday,

On motion of Senator Harrison, the same was dispensed with.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS.**

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Substitute Senate bills Nos. 68 and 78, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend articles 736 and 738, chapter 16, of the Revised Civil Statutes, so as to facilitate the giving of bonds by authorizing corporate suretyship thereon."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LEWIS, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 283, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 1194 of section 14, chapter 4, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as to the venue of suits; to require specific performance of contracts for the sale of real property, and for damages for the breach of such contracts."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LEWIS, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 245, a bill to be entitled "An act to provide that in the trial of civil cases, and in the trial of criminal cases below the grade of felony, nine jurors concurring may render a verdict."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LEWIS, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 313, a bill to be entitled "An act to repeal an act passed at the present session of the Legislature, entitled an act to amend title XCVI, chapter 3, of the Revised Civil Statutes (1895) of the State of Texas, by adding thereto, after article 4640, an article to be known as 4640a, prohibiting the admission to record of instruments in any other than the English language, except instruments executed prior to the taking effect of this act, which may be recorded if accompanied by sworn translation thereof."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the

same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LEWIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

House bill No. 563, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend section 6 of chapter 132 of the acts of the Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Texas, passed at the regular session thereof, and entitled 'An act to create a more efficient road system for Dallas, Lamar and Medina counties, Texas, and making county commissioners of said counties ex officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as road commissioners, and defining the duties and powers of such county commissioners,'"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

LEWIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 68, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 736, chapter 16, of the Revised Civil Statutes, so as to facilitate the giving of bonds by authorizing corporate suretyship thereon,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LEWIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

House bill No. 473, a bill to be entitled "An act to restore to and confer upon the county court of Leon county the civil and criminal jurisdiction heretofore belonging to said county court under the Constitution and General Statutes of the State, and to conform the jurisdiction of the district court of said county to such change."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the

same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

LEWIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 284, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 2402, chapter 1, title 42, of the Revised Statutes relating to exemptions not to override claims for rent."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LEWIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 326, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 4730, title 97, chapter 3, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relative to the liability of persons to work on the public roads."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LEWIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 78, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 736, chapter 16, title XXI, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, and to amend article 737 of said chapter and title, relating to guaranty and fidelity corporations."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LEWIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 311, a bill to be entitled "An act to repeal articles 3380, 3381, 3382, 3383 of the Revised Civil

Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to liquor dealers."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LEWIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 404, a bill to be entitled "An act to transfer Grimes county from a community school system to a district school system."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

PRESLER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Committee on Towns and City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 457, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend section 21 of an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Waco and to define its boundaries and powers,' being chapter 17 of an act of the Legislature of 1889, by defining the powers of the city council to regulate the opening of business houses on Sunday."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

LINN of Wharton,  
Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1897.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 322, a bill to be entitled "An act to create a more efficient road system for Ellis county, Texas, and making county commissioners of said county ex officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as road commissioners, and providing for the appointment of deputy road commissioners, and defining the powers and duties of such county commissioners, and providing for the appointment of road overseers, and defining their duties, and for the working of county convicts upon the

public roads of said county, and providing for officers' fees and rewards for the capture of escaped convicts, and to provide for the manner of training hedges along any public road, and to provide for the summoning of teams for road work, and for an allowance of time of road service for same, and fixing a penalty for a violation of this act, and repeal all laws in conflict with this act."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

WAYLAND, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 115, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 616, chapter 11, title 18, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to abolished town and city corporations,"

And find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day at 4:40 p. m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

ROGERS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 31, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 838, chapter 6, title 17, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, defining the crime of burglary,"

And find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day at 4:40 p. m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

ROGERS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 105, a bill to be entitled "An act to secure a system of drainage along the public roads of the State by excavating ditches and drains on either side thereof leading into the

natural gateways crossed by or adjacent to such roads, and to provide for the making of lateral drainage ditches to empty into the same, by the owners of lands adjacent to said roads, and to provide for the payment of expense incurred therefor, and for the collection of assessments from adjoining land owners benefited by such drainage system,"

And find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day at 4:40 p. m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

ROGERS, Chairman.

### BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Morriss:

Senate bill No. 329, a bill to be entitled "An act making it a felony punishable by confinement in the State penitentiary to exhibit any vitascopic or other pictorial exhibition of a prize or other fight of men or men and animals."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Morriss:

Senate bill No. 330, a bill to be entitled "An act authorizing county commissioners' courts to advance money to assist graduates from the Blind Asylum of Texas."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Asylums.

Call concluded.

### HOUSE MESSAGE.

The following House message was received:

Hall House of Representatives,  
Austin, Texas, March 26, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has adopted the report of the Free Conference Committee on

Senate bill No. 248, a bill to be entitled "An act to authorize and permit the Aransas Pass Harbor Company to purchase from the State of Texas Harbor Island, certain shoal waters and flats in front thereof, and in Redfish Bay, on the gulf coast of Texas, in order to encourage the procuring and maintenance of deep water at Aransas Pass."

Respectfully,

LEE J. ROUNTREE, Chief Clerk.

On motion of Senator Woods,

Senate bill No. 258, a bill to be entitled "An act to empower the State Board of Education to procure for use

in the public free schools of this State a series of uniform text-books, defining the duties of certain officers therein named with reference thereto, making appropriation therefor, defining certain misdemeanors, providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency,"

Was made special order for Tuesday, March 30, after call and from day to day.

Senator Colquitt moved to recommit to the Committee on Finance,

House bill No. 49, a bill to be entitled "An act to transfer to the general revenue account the unexpended balance of the United States direct tax fund remaining in the State treasury on the 2nd day of March, A. D. 1897, the same to be used in the payment of the current expenses of the State government."

Recommitted.

On motion of Senator Harrison, the regular order of business was suspended to take up on its second reading,

Senate bill No. 170, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend articles 402 and 406, chapter 6, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, and to add thereto articles 406a and 406b."

Bill read second time with committee amendments.

Committee amendments adopted.

Pending further action,

On motion of Senator Stafford, further consideration was postponed, and the bill was made special order for Tuesday, March 30, after Senate bill No. 258, by the following vote:

Yeas—13.

Dibrell.	Stafford.
Greer.	Stone.
Lewis.	Terrell.
Linn of Victoria.	Turney.
Linn of Wharton.	Yantis.
Rogers.	Yett.
Ross.	

Nays—9.

Beall.	Morriss.
Burns.	Tillett.
Colquitt.	Wayland.
Darwin.	Woods.
Harrison.	

Absent.

Atlee.	Gough.
Bailey.	Kerr.
Boren.	Neal.
Goss.	Presler.

Excused.

Bowser.

On motion of Senator Lewis, the regular order of business was suspended to take up, on second reading,

House bill No. 176, a bill to be entitled "An act to quiet titles to lands located and surveyed by virtue of land certificates granted under the act of the Legislature of the State of Texas, entitled an act granting to persons who have been permanently disabled by reason of wounds received while in the service of this State or of the Confederate States, a certificate for 1280 acres of land, approved April 9, 1881, and to validate patents issued on such locations and surveys."

Bill read second time with favorable majority, and adverse minority committee reports.

Senator Terrell moved to lay the bill on the table subject to call.

Senator Beall moved as a substitute that the bill be made special order for Monday, March 29, and from day to day.

So ordered.

On motion of Senator Burns, the regular order of business was suspended to take up, on its third reading,

Senate bill No. 285, a bill to be entitled "An act making an appropriation for the establishment of a public park on the site of the battlefield of San Jacinto, and the erection of the necessary buildings and improvements thereon, and providing for the purchase and condemnation of a sufficient amount of land upon which to establish said park."

Bill read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—18.

Beall.	Morriss.
Burns.	Neal.
Dibrell.	Ross.
Goss.	Tillett.
Greer.	Turney.
Kerr.	Wayland.
Lewis.	Woods.
Linn of Victoria.	Yantis.
Linn of Wharton.	Yett.

Nays—7.

Colquitt.	Stafford.
Darwin.	Stone.
Harrison.	Terrell.
Rogers.	

Absent.

Atlee.	Gough.
Bailey.	Presler.
Boren.	

Excused.

Bowser.

On motion of Senator Stafford, the regular order of business was suspended to take up, on second reading,

Senate bill No. 139, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend title 30, chapter 4, article 1194, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1895, relating to venue of suits in cases of personal injury against a railroad corporation, or against any assignee, trustee or receiver operating said railway, by adding thereto section 23a after section 23."

Bill read second time with favorable majority and adverse minority committee reports.

Senator Yantis moved to substitute, and adopt, the minority for the majority committee report.

Lost by the following vote:

Yeas—4.

Lewis.	Turney.
Rogers.	Yantis.

Nays—19.

Beall.	Neal.
Burns.	Ross.
Colquitt.	Stafford.
Darwin.	Stone.
Dibrell.	Terrell.
Greer.	Tillett.
Harrison.	Wayland.
Kerr.	Woods.
Linn of Wharton.	Yett.
Morriss.	

Absent.

Atlee.	Gough.
Bailey.	Linn of Victoria.
Boren.	Presler.
Goss.	

Excused.

Bowser.

The majority report was then adopted.

By Senator Stafford:

Amend by adding:

"Sec. 2. The close of the present session of the Legislature is drawing near and the crowded condition of the calendar of both houses, and the existing law in such cases being a public inconvenience, create an emergency and an imperative public necessity exists requiring the constitutional rule that bills should be read on three several days be suspended, and that this act take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted."

By Senator Lewis:

Amend the amendment by striking out the word "public," preceding the word "inconvenience," and insert the word "private."

Lost.

The amendment (Stafford's) was then adopted.

By Senator Lewis:

Amend by striking out the words "for personal injuries," in line 16, section 23a, and strike out the words "such injury occurred," and insert in lieu thereof the words "the cause of action accrued."

Lost by the following vote:

Yeas—3.

Lewis. Turney.  
Rogers.

Nays—19.

Beall. Morriss.  
Colquitt. Ross.  
Darwin. Stafford.  
Dibrell. Stone.  
Goss. Terrell.  
Greer. Tillett.  
Harrison. Wayland.  
Kerr. Woods.  
Linn of Victoria. Yantis.  
Linn of Wharton.

Absent.

Atlee. Gough.  
Bailey. Neal.  
Boren. Presler.  
Burns. Yett.

Excused.

Bowser.

The bill was then ordered engrossed by the following vote:

Yeas—18.

Beall. Morriss.  
Colquitt. Ross.  
Darwin. Stafford.  
Dibrell. Stone.  
Greer. Terrell.  
Harrison. Tillett.  
Kerr. Wayland.  
Linn of Victoria. Woods.  
Linn of Wharton. Yett.

Nays—4.

Goss. Rogers.  
Lewis. Turney.

Absent.

Atlee. Burns.  
Bailey. Gough.  
Boren. Presler.

Excused.

Bowser.

Yeas. Paired. Nays.  
Neal. Yantis.

On motion of Senator Stafford, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put upon its third

reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—18.

Beall. Morriss.  
Colquitt. Ross.  
Darwin. Stafford.  
Dibrell. Stone.  
Greer. Terrell.  
Harrison. Tillett.  
Kerr. Wayland.  
Linn of Victoria. Woods.  
Linn of Wharton. Yett.

Nays—4.

Goss. Rogers.  
Lewis. Turney.

Absent.

Atlee. Burns.  
Bailey. Gough.  
Boren. Presler.

Excused.

Bowser.

Yeas. Paired. Nays.  
Neal. Yantis.

Bill read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Beall. Neal.  
Burns. Rogers.  
Colquitt. Ross.  
Darwin. Stafford.  
Dibrell. Stone.  
Greer. Terrell.  
Harrison. Tillett.  
Kerr. Wayland.  
Linn of Victoria. Woods.  
Linn of Wharton. Yett.  
Morriss.

Nays—4.

Goss. Turney.  
Lewis. Yantis.

Absent.

Atlee. Gough.  
Bailey. Presler.  
Boren.

Excused.

Bowser.

Senator Beall moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to lay that motion on the table.

Tabled.

The Chair gave notice of signing, and did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read,

House bill No. 67, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 635, title 20, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to the acknowledgments of married women

as to the conveyance of their separate property."

House joint resolution No. 7, ratifying and confirming the action of the attorneys representing the State of Texas in compromising its claim to its University lands in McLennan county, Texas.

House concurrent resolution No. 17, indorsing the Afro-American Fair and Interstate Exposition Company of Houston, Texas.

House bill No. 402, a bill to be entitled "An act to authorize the Comptroller of Public Accounts and the State Treasurer to transfer the sum of \$20,000 from organized county tax fund account to State revenue account."

House bill No. 140, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 4744, title XCVII, chapter 4, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, relating to powers and duties of overseers of public roads."

House bill No. 432, a bill to be entitled "An act to restore and confer upon the county court of Jefferson county the civil and criminal jurisdiction heretofore belonging to said court under the Constitution and general statutes of Texas; to define the jurisdiction of said court; to conform the jurisdiction of the district court of said county to such change; to fix the time of holding court, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act."

House bill No. 75, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 881 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, relating to theft of horses, asses and mules, so as to fix the punishment therefor at confinement in the penitentiary for not less than two nor more than ten years."

House bill No. 68, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 636, title 20, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas."

House bill No. 15, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 822, chapter 4, title 17, of the Penal Code, relating to counties exempted from the provisions of articles 813-821, Penal Code."

House bill No. 577, a bill to be entitled "An act to create a more efficient road system for Montague, Red River and Wichita counties, in the State of Texas, and making county commissioners of said counties ex officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as road commissioners, and defining the powers and duties of the commissioners' courts

of said counties, and fixing a penalty for the violation of this act, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act."

Senate bill No. 248, a bill to be entitled "An act to authorize and permit the Aransas Pass Harbor Company to purchase from the State of Texas Harbor island, certain shoal waters and flats in front thereof and in Redfish bay, on the Gulf coast of Texas, in order to encourage the procuring and maintenance of deep water at Aransas Pass."

On motion of Senator Yantis, the regular order of business was suspended to take up, on its second reading,

House bill No. 457, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend section 21 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Waco, and to define its boundaries and powers, being chapter 17 of acts of the Legislature of 1889, by defining the powers of the city council in the registration and control of the opening of business houses and other places on Sunday."

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Yantis, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put upon its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Beall.	Neal.
Burns.	Rogers.
Colquitt.	Ross.
Darwin.	Stafford.
Dibrell.	Stone.
Goss.	Terrell.
Gough.	Turney.
Greer.	Wayland.
Lewis.	Woods.
Linn of Victoria.	Yantis.
Linn of Wharton.	Yett.
Morriss.	

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.	Kerr.
Bailey.	Presler.
Boren.	Tillett.
Harrison.	

Excused.

Bowser.

Bill read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Beall.	Darwin.
Burns.	Dibrell.
Colquitt.	Goss.



Gough.	Ross.
Greer.	Stafford.
Kerr.	Stone.
Lewis.	Terrell.
Linn of Victoria.	Turney.
Linn of Wharton.	Wayland.
Morriss.	Woods.
Neal.	Yantis.
Rogers.	Yett.

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.	Harrison.
Bailey.	Presler.
Boren.	Tillett.

Excused.

Bowser.

On motion of Senator Rogers, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up on its second reading,

Senate bill No. 293, a bill to be entitled "An act to authorize corporations to engage in the business of becoming surety on bonds, undertakings, recognizances and other obligations, required or permitted by law or the charter, ordinances, rules or regulations of any municipality, board, body, organization, court, judge or other public officer, to be made, given, tendered or filed, with surety or sureties, and guaranteeing the refraining from or performance by another of any act, duty or obligation, and to regulate such business, and to repeal chapter XVI, title 21, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas."

Bill read second time, with committee amendments.

Committee amendments adopted.

(Senator Terrell in the chair.)

By Senator Rogers:

Amend by adding to section 7 the following, "and such guaranty, fidelity and surety companies shall be deemed residents of the counties wherever they may do business, and the doing or performing any business in any county shall be deemed an acceptance of the provisions of this act."

Adopted.

By Senator Linn of Wharton:

Amend by adding after the word "qualifications" in line 29 on page 1, the following: "Provided, that the bond of every county officer so made by such surety company shall be unlawful and void unless the same be executed jointly with such company by two solvent resident citizens of the county in which said bond is required."

Adopted.

On motion of Senator Dibrell, further consideration was postponed, and the bill made special order for Monday, March 29, after call.

On motion of Senator Beall,

Senator Harrison was excused from attendance upon the Senate for the remainder of the to-day, Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday, on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Kerr,

Senator Linn of Victoria was excused from attendance upon the Senate from this afternoon up to and including Wednesday, March 31.

On motion of Senator Beall,

Senator Greer was excused from attendance from this evening up to and including Wednesday, March 31.

On motion of Senator Greer, the regular order of business was suspended to take up, on its second reading,

House bill No. 387, a bill to be entitled "An act to restore to and confer upon the county court of Orange county the criminal jurisdiction heretofore belonging to it under the Constitution and General Statutes of the State of Texas, to conform the jurisdiction of the district court to such change, and to repeal all laws in conflict with the provisions of this act."

Bill read second time; and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Greer, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put upon its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Beall.	Linn of Wharton.
Boren.	Rogers.
Burns.	Ross.
Colquitt.	Stafford.
Darwin.	Terrell.
Dibrell.	Turney.
Goss.	Wayland.
Gough.	Woods.
Greer.	Yantis.
Kerr.	Yett.
Linn of Victoria.	

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Lewis.	Stone.
Morriss.	Tillett.

Excused.

Bowser.	Harrison.
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Bill read third time, and passed by the following vote:

## Yeas—21.

Beall.	Linn of Wharton.
Boren.	Rogers.
Burns.	Ross.
Colquitt.	Stafford.
Darwin.	Terrell.
Dibrell.	Turney.
Goss.	Wayland.
Gough.	Woods.
Greer.	Yantis.
Kerr.	Yett.
Linn of Victoria.	

## Nays—none.

## Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Lewis.	Stone.
Morriss.	Tillett.

## Excused.

Bowser.	Harrison.
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Senator Colquitt moved to adjourn to 3 p. m. to-day.

Senator Goss moved to adjourn to 10 a. m. Monday.

Lost by the following vote:

## Yeas—11.

Beall.	Linn of Victoria.
Boren.	Ross.
Burns.	Stone.
Goss.	Turney.
Greer.	Yett.
Kerr.	

## Nays—13.

Colquitt.	Stafford.
Darwin.	Terrell.
Dibrell.	Tillett.
Gough.	Wayland.
Lewis.	Woods.
Linn of Wharton.	Yantis.
Rogers.	

## Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Morriss.	

## Excused.

Bowser.	Harrison.
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The Senate then refused to adjourn to 3 p. m. to-day by the following vote:

## Yeas—10.

Burns.	Terrell.
Colquitt.	Tillett.
Darwin.	Woods.
Dibrell.	Yantis.
Ross.	Yett.

## Nays—14.

Beall.	Kerr.
Boren.	Lewis.
Goss.	Linn of Victoria.
Gough.	Linn of Wharton.
Greer.	Rogers.

Stafford.
Stone.

Turney.
Wayland.

## Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Morriss.	

## Excused.

Bowser.	Harrison.
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(President pro tem. Dibrell in the chair.)

On motion of Senator Beall, the regular order of business was suspended to take up,

Senate bill No. 322, a bill to be entitled "An act to create a more efficient road system for Ellis county, Texas, and making county commissioners of said county ex officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as road commissioners, and providing for the appointment of deputy road commissioners, and defining the powers and duties of such county commissioners, and providing for the appointment of road overseers, and defining their duties, and for the working of county convicts upon the public roads of said county, and providing for officers' fees and rewards for the capture of escaped convicts, and to provide for the manner of training hedges along any public road, and to provide for the summoning of teams for road work, and for an allowance of time of road service for same, and fixing a penalty for a violation of this act, and repeal all laws in conflict with this act."

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Beall, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put upon its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

## Yeas—21.

Beall.	Linn of Wharton.
Boren.	Rogers.
Burns.	Ross.
Colquitt.	Stafford.
Darwin.	Terrell.
Dibrell.	Turney.
Goss.	Wayland.
Gough.	Woods.
Greer.	Yantis.
Kerr.	Yett.
Linn of Victoria.	

## Nays—none.

## Absent.

Atlee.	Lewis.
Bailey.	Morriss.

Neal. Stone.  
Presler. Tillett.

**Excused.**

Bowser. Harrison.

Bill read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Beall.	Linn of Wharton.
Boren.	Rogers.
Burns.	Ross.
Colquitt.	Stafford.
Darwin.	Terrell.
Dibrell.	Turney.
Goss.	Wayland.
Gough.	Woods.
Greer.	Yantis.
Kerr.	Yett.
Linn of Victoria.	

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Lewis.	Stone.
Morriss.	Tillett.

**Excused.**

Bowser. Harrison.

On motion of Senator Gough, the regular order of business was suspended to take up on third reading.

Senate bill No. 172, a bill to be entitled "An act to authorize the Governor to use the Texas State exhibit at the Tennessee Centennial, and providing for an appropriation for overhauling said exhibit."

Bill read third time.

By Senator Colquitt:

Amend section 2, line 13, by striking out "twenty-five hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof "fifteen hundred."

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Beall.	Linn of Wharton.
Burns.	Rogers.
Colquitt.	Stafford.
Darwin.	Stone.
Dibrell.	Terrell.
Goss.	Turney.
Gough.	Wayland.
Greer.	Woods.
Kerr.	Yantis.
Lewis.	Yett.
Linn of Victoria.	

Nays—1.

Ross.

Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Boren.	Tillett.
Morriss.	

**Excused.**

Bowser. Harrison.

Bill passed by the following vote:

Yeas—16.

Beall.	Linn of Victoria.
Burns.	Linn of Wharton.
Darwin.	Rogers.
Goss.	Stone.
Gough.	Turney.
Greer.	Wayland.
Kerr.	Yantis.
Lewis.	Yett.

Nays—6.

Colquitt.	Stafford.
Dibrell.	Terrell.
Ross.	Woods.

Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Boren.	Tillett.
Morriss.	

**Excused.**

Bowser. Harrison.

Senator Gough moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to lay that motion on the table.

Tabled.

On motion of Senator Colquitt, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up, on second reading,

Senate bill No. 215, a bill to be entitled "An act to regulate the trial of civil actions for damages for libel, and the damages that may be allowed in such cases."

Senator Darwin moved to adjourn to 10 a. m. to-morrow.

Lost.

Bill read second time.

By Senator Lewis:

Amend by adding section 4 to the bill, as follows: "The near approach of the close of the present session of the Legislature, and the large number of bills pending upon the calendars of each house, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be and the same is hereby suspended."

**Adopted.**

Pending further action.

On motion of Senator Goss, further consideration was postponed, and the bill made special order for Tuesday, March 30, after call, by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Beall.	Goss.
Darwin.	Greer.

Kerr.	Wayland.
Linn of Victoria.	Woods.
Stone.	Yantis.
Terrell.	Yett.

## Nays—11.

Burns.	Rogers.
Colquitt.	Ross.
Dibrell.	Stafford.
Gough.	Tillett.
Lewis.	Turney.
Linn of Wharton.	

## Absent.

Atlee.	Morriss.
Bailey.	Neal.
Boren.	Presler.

## Excused.

Bowser.	Harrison.
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Senator Yantis moved to adjourn to 3 p. m.

Senator Beall moved to adjourn to 10 a. m. Monday.

Lost by the following vote:

## Yeas—11.

Beall.	Linn of Victoria.
Boren.	Ross.
Burns.	Stone.
Goss.	Wayland.
Kerr.	Yett.
Lewis.	

## Nays—13.

Colquitt.	Stafford.
Darwin.	Terrell.
Dibrell.	Tillett.
Gough.	Turney.
Greer.	Woods.
Linn of Wharton.	Yantis.
Rogers.	

## Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Morriss.	

## Excused.

Bowser.	Harrison.
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The Senate adjourned to 3 p. m.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

President Pro Tem. Dibrell in the chair.

Roll called.

No quorum, the following Senators answering to their names:

Beall.	Goss.
Burns.	Lewis.
Colquitt.	Linn of Victoria.
Darwin.	Linn of Wharton.
Dibrell.	Morriss.

Rogers.	Tillett.
Ross.	Turney.
Stafford.	Wayland.
Stone.	Woods.
Terrell.	

## Absent.

Atlee.	Kerr.
Bailey.	Neal.
Boren.	Presler.
Gough.	Yantis.
Greer.	Yett.

## Excused.

Bowser.	Harrison.
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On motion of Senator Turney, Senator Linn of Wharton was excused for five minutes.

Senator Beall moved a call of the Senate, which was ordered, the following Senators answering to their names:

Beall.	Linn of Wharton.
Burns.	Morriss.
Colquitt.	Ross.
Darwin.	Stafford.
Dibrell.	Stone.
Goss.	Terrell.
Gough.	Tillett.
Greer.	Turney.
Lewis.	Wayland.
Linn of Victoria.	Woods.

## Absent.

Atlee.	Presler.
Bailey.	Rogers.
Boren.	Yantis.
Kerr.	Yett.
Neal.	

## Excused.

Bowser.	Harrison.
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On motion of Senator Wayland, a recess of ten minutes was taken.

## AFTER RECESS.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Beall.	Morriss.
Burns.	Rogers.
Colquitt.	Ross.
Darwin.	Stafford.
Dibrell.	Stone.
Goss.	Tillett.
Gough.	Turney.
Greer.	Wayland.
Lewis.	Woods.
Linn of Victoria.	Yantis.
Linn of Wharton.	Yett.

## Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Boren.	Terrell.
Kerr.	

Excused.

Bowser.

Harrison.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following committee reports were made:

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, March 26, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 301, a bill to be entitled "An act to prevent the sale, the offering for sale or the giving away of questions or the answers to questions prepared for the examination of applicants for teachers' certificates, to prevent persons in official or public or quasi-public positions from permitting unauthorized persons to acquire a knowledge of such questions or of the answers thereto, and to prevent all carelessness, irregularity, dishonesty or fraud in handling the questions, and prescribing penalties for violations of this act."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

STAFFORD, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, March 26, 1897.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on State Asylums, to whom was referred

House bill No. 96, a bill to be entitled "An act to provide the mode of furnishing certain supplies to the asylums, and to repeal title IX, chapter 3, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1895,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

GOUGH, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, March 26, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 176, a bill to be entitled "An act to prescribe the powers, duties and compensation of the State Board of Examiners, and to regulate the issuance of State certificates."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it

back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass

BEALL, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1897.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 248, a bill to be entitled "An act to authorize and permit the Aransas Pass Harbor Company to purchase from the State of Texas Harbor island, certain shoal waters and flats in front thereof and in Redfish bay on the Gulf coast of Texas, in order to encourage the procuring and maintenance of deep water at Aransas Pass, and prescribing certain conditions attaching and following said purchase."

And find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 3:15 p. m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

ROGERS, Chairman.

On motion of Senator Colquitt, the regular order of business was suspended to take up on its second reading,

Senate bill No. 117, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend articles 1494, 1495, and 1496 of the Revised Civil Statutes, relating to auditors."

Bill read second time.

By Senator Colquitt:

Amend in article 1496, line 29, by inserting after the word "before" the words "trials on the merits" in lieu of the words "the trial," and amend same section, in line 31, by striking out the words "the auditor has erred" and insert in lieu thereof the words "exceptions have been sustained."

Adopted.

By Senator Colquitt:

Amend article 1494 by striking out all of line 12 after the word "suit" and down to and including the word "paid" in line 13.

Lost.

By Senator Burns:

Amend by adding after the word "sustained," in line 31, the words "or overruled."

Adopted.

Bill as amended ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Lewis, the regular order of business was suspended to take up, on second reading,

Senate bill No. 95, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 976,

chapter 8, title 27, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to payment of costs and returning mandates in the Supreme Court."

Bill read second time.

By Senator Lewis:

Amend by striking out all of section 2, on page 2, line 4, after the word "creates" and insert the following, "an emergency and a public necessity exists that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be and the same is hereby suspended, and that this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage."

Adopted.

Bill as amended ordered engrossed.

(Senator Colquitt in the chair.)

On motion of Senator Lewis, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put upon its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Beall.	Morriss.
Boren.	Rogers.
Colquitt.	Stafford.
Darwin.	Stone.
Dibrell.	Terrell.
Goss.	Tillett.
Gough.	Turney.
Greer.	Wayland.
Lewis.	Woods.
Linn of Victoria.	Yantis.
Linn of Wharton.	Yett.

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Burns.	Ross.
Kerr.	

Excused.

Bowser. Harrison.

Bill read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Beall.	Morriss.
Boren.	Rogers.
Colquitt.	Stafford.
Darwin.	Stone.
Dibrell.	Terrell.
Goss.	Tillett.
Gough.	Turney.
Greer.	Wayland.
Lewis.	Woods.
Linn of Victoria.	Yantis.
Linn of Wharton.	Yett.

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Burns.	Ross.
Kerr.	

Excused.

Bowser. Harrison.

On motion of Senator Goss, the regular order of business was suspended to take up on second reading,

Senate bill No. 300, a bill to be entitled "An act to diminish the civil and criminal jurisdiction of the county court of King county, to conform the jurisdiction of the district court thereto, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith."

Bill read second time.

By Senator Goss:

Amend by adding, in the caption and bill, after the word "King," wherever it occurs, the word "Stonewall," and changing the word "county" to "counties."

Adopted.

Bill as amended ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Goss, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put upon its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Beall.	Morriss.
Boren.	Rogers.
Burns.	Stafford.
Colquitt.	Stone.
Darwin.	Terrell.
Dibrell.	Tillett.
Goss.	Turney.
Gough.	Wayland.
Greer.	Woods.
Lewis.	Yantis.
Linn of Victoria.	Yett.
Linn of Wharton.	

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Kerr.	Ross.

Excused.

Bowser. Harrison.

Bill read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Beall.	Goss.
Boren.	Gough.
Burns.	Greer.
Colquitt.	Lewis.
Darwin.	Linn of Victoria.
Dibrell.	Linn of Wharton.

Morriss.  
Rogers.  
Stone.  
Terrell.  
Tillett.

Turney.  
Wayland.  
Woods.  
Yantis.  
Yett.

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.  
Bailey.  
Kerr.  
Neal.

Presler.  
Ross.  
Stafford.

Excused.

Bowser.

Harrison.

On motion of Senator Dibrell, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up, on its third reading,

Senate bill No. 73, a bill to be entitled "An act to provide for preliminary hearings in trials of trespass to try title to real estate; for a more speedy settlement of land titles in this State; and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act."

The bill was read third time, and was passed.

On motion of Senator Turney, the regular order of business was suspended to take up on second reading,

Senate bill No. 121, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 5051, Revised Statutes of 1895, relating to county warrants, and to repeal article 1118 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, prohibiting the payment of county warrants and jury script upon taxes except in the order of their registration."

Bill read second time, with committee amendments.

Committee amendments adopted.

By Senator Goss:

Amend by striking out all after the word "States."

Adopted.

Bill as amended ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Terrell, the regular order of business was suspended to take up on second reading,

Senate bill No. 254, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 615, chapter 18, title 11, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, providing for the abolishment of the incorporation of towns and villages."

Bill read second time, with committee amendments.

Committee amendments adopted.

Bill ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Terrell, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was sus-

pending, and the bill put upon its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Beall.	Rogers.
Boren.	Stafford.
Burns.	Stone.
Colquitt.	Terrell.
Darwin.	Tillett.
Dibrell.	Turney.
Goss.	Wayland.
Greer.	Woods.
Lewis.	Yantis.
Linn of Wharton.	Yett.
Morriss.	

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.	Linn of Victoria.
Bailey.	Neal.
Gough.	Presler.
Kerr.	Ross.

Excused.

Bowser.

Harrison.

Bill read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Beall.	Rogers.
Boren.	Stafford.
Burns.	Stone.
Colquitt.	Terrell.
Darwin.	Tillett.
Dibrell.	Turney.
Goss.	Wayland.
Greer.	Woods.
Lewis.	Yantis.
Linn of Wharton.	
Morriss.	Yett.

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.	Linn of Victoria.
Bailey.	Neal.
Gough.	Presler.
Kerr.	Ross.

Excused.

Bowser.

Harrison.

On motion of Senator Rogers, the regular order of business was suspended to take up on second reading,

Senate bill No. 186, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 3910 of the Revised Statutes of 1895, relating to public schools."

Bill read second time.

By Senator Rogers:

Amend by adding:

"Sec. 2. The crowded condition of the calendar and the near approach of the end of the session creates an emergency, authorizing the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring

bills to be read on three several days, and the rule is hereby suspended."

Adopted.

By Senator Goss:

Amend by striking out after the word "week," down to and including the word "exercises," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Public schools shall observe such legal holidays as the trustees may direct."

Adopted.

On motion of Senator Rogers, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put upon its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Beall.	Morris.
Boren.	Rogers.
Burns.	Stafford.
Colquitt.	Stone.
Darwin.	Terrell.
Dibrell.	Tillett.
Goss.	Turney.
Greer.	Wayland.
Lewis.	Woods.
Linn of Victoria.	Yantis.
Linn of Wharton.	Yett.

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Gough.	Ross.
Kerr.	

Excused.

Bowser. Harrison.

The bill was read third time, and passed.

On motion of Senator Linn of Wharton, the regular order of business was suspended to take up on second reading,

House bill No. 351, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend an act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, ditches and water-courses, and for the improvement and enlargement of natural drainage in in Texas."

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Linn of Wharton, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put upon its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Beall.	Colquitt.
Boren.	Darwin.
Burns.	Dibrell.

Goss.	Terrell.
Greer.	Tillett.
Lewis.	Turney.
Linn of Wharton.	Wayland.
Morris.	Woods.
Rogers.	Yantis.
Stafford.	Yett.
Stone.	

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.	Linn of Victoria.
Bailey.	Neal.
Gough.	Presler.
Kerr.	Ross.

Excused.

Bowser. Harrison.

Bill read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Beall.	Rogers.
Boren.	Stafford.
Burns.	Stone.
Colquitt.	Terrell.
Darwin.	Tillett.
Dibrell.	Turney.
Goss.	Wayland.
Greer.	Woods.
Lewis.	Yantis.
Linn of Wharton.	Yett.
Morris.	

Nays—none.

Absent.

Atlee.	Linn of Victoria.
Bailey.	Neal.
Gough.	Presler.
Kerr.	Ross.

Excused.

Bowser. Harrison.

On motion of Senator Beall, the regular order of business was suspended to take up on its second reading,

Senate bill No. 149, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 3893, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to the investment of the permanent school fund."

Bill read second time with committee amendments.

Pending action on adopting the committee amendments,

Senator Linn of Wharton moved to reconsider the vote by which House concurrent resolution No. 18, providing a room in the department of Insurance, Statistics and History for relics of the Republic of Texas, etc., was passed on yesterday.

Reconsidered.

Senator Linn of Wharton then moved to reconsider the vote by which the



following amendment to the resolution was adopted, to-wit: Amend the resolution by striking out the words "now occupied."

Reconsidered.

Senator Linn of Wharton then offered the following substitute for the amendment:

Amend by striking out the word "now" before the word "occupied," in section 1 of the resolution.

Adopted.

The resolution was then passed.

Senator Darwin moved to adjourn to 10 a. m. to-morrow.

Senator Turney moved to adjourn to 10 a. m. Monday.

The Senate adjourned to 10 a. m. Monday by the following vote:

Yeas—17.

Beall.	Morriss.
Boren.	Stafford.
Burns.	Stone.
Dibrell.	Terrell.
Goss.	Tillett.
Greer.	Turney.
Lewis.	Wayland.
Linn of Victoria.	Yett.
Linn of Wharton.	

Nays—5.

Colquitt.	Woods.
Darwin.	Yantis.
Rogers.	

Absent.

Atlee.	Neal.
Bailey.	Presler.
Gough.	Ross.
Kerr.	

Excused.

Bowser.	Harrison.
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# FIFTY-EIGHTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Tex., Monday, Mar. 29.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

President pro tem. Dibrell in the chair.

Roll called. No quorum, the following Senators answering to their names:

Atlee.	Ross.
Darwin.	Stafford.
Dibrell.	Stone.
Goss.	Terrell.
Kerr.	Tillett.
Linn of Wharton.	Turney.
Morriss.	Woods.
Rogers.	Yantis.

Absent.

Bailey.	Bowser.
Beall.	Burns.
Boren.	Colquitt.

Gough.
Lewis.
Neal.

Presler.
Wayland.
Yett.

Excused.

Greer.
Harrison.

Linn of Victoria.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. F. S. Jackson.

Almighty God—We know that after the storm-clouds, then sunshine. May the application of this beautiful thought cheer us amid the many confusions, distractions and misunderstandings of life, give us patience and strength to calmly wait when the storms of passion, prejudice and hate beat upon us, until the sunshine of love, friendship and confidence brings us joy and gladness. None of us will mourn the billows past when the shore is won at last; so cheered by this beautiful sentiment, may we go on on life's tempestuous sea, meeting bravely and promptly every obligation and with heroism and faith, endure every pang and withstand every struggle until the last great billow has past and the calm waters of the Heavenly harbor will have been reached, where we'll cast anchor, and we will gratefully join the glad acclaim "Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost." Amen.

Senator Atlee moved a call of the Senate, which was ordered, the following Senators answering to their names:

Atlee.	Ross.
Darwin.	Stafford.
Dibrell.	Stone.
Goss.	Terrell.
Kerr.	Tillett.
Linn of Wharton.	Turney.
Morriss.	Woods.
Rogers.	Yantis.

Absent.

Bailey.	Gough.
Beall.	Lewis.
Boren.	Neal.
Bowser.	Presler.
Burns.	Wayland.
Colquitt.	Yett.

Excused.

Greer.	Linn of Victoria.
Harrison.	

It appearing that no quorum could be obtained, on motion of Senator Stafford the Senate adjourned to 3 p. m.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.